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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached please find Form PTO-1449 together with references that the Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S. Examiner for the above-identified application.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 10-020595 which discloses an electrophotographic image forming device which can be miniaturized and is suited in the upper ability by supporting the recording medium to first and second supporting means in a longitudinal direction. Applicant attaches a translation of the Abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 07-209927 which corresponds to U.S. Patent 5,579,099. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 07-41203 which corresponds to U.S. Patent 5,559,609. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 07-46367 which corresponds to U.S.

Patent 5,559,609. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 06-62177 which discloses an image reader that stably reads images without obstructing self running with a cover or a guide member on the surface of a read part faced to originals. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 06-62178 which discloses an image reader that provides a high reliability image which can previously prevent dropping from an image reading claim or reading abnormality by detecting the abnormality of the image reading claim. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 06-62181 which discloses an image reader that has an original entrance of a read part that is provided with a lever type sensor to detect originals inserted in the entrance. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 06-164834 which discloses a picture reader which has a mode change over means provided on a picture processing unit such as a portable personal computer to which a read section is connected. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 07-181763 which discloses a multiple function printing device for printing pages from a stack of sheets in an input feeder. This

reference corresponds to U.S. Patent Application No. 145355, U.S. Patent No. 5,651,623, U.S. Patent No. 5,727,890 and U.S. Patent No. 5,738,454. No full translation of this reference is available to the Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 08-51521 which discloses an image information processor and system which includes a positioning hole of the scanner corresponding to the projection in the mounting is fixed. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 10-107945 which discloses an image input device and includes light shield levers that are biased by a restoration spring and come to a standstill at a position where the lever is placed in an optical path of optical fibers. Applicant attaches a translation of the abstract. No full translation of this reference is available to the Applicant at this time.

- OMRON Pamphlet of part information for HS 200 which discloses a full color sheet reading scanner. Applicant has attached a partial translation of this pamphlet. No full translation of this reference is available to the Applicant at this time.


- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 58-127753 which discloses an optical information recording device that includes a carriage, a lens, and an image pick-up element disposed in parallel with the lens. A translation of the specification is attached. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 05-316261 which discloses an image recording device that includes a sensor means attached to a document feeding part of the image

reading unit. A translation of the specification is attached. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

- Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 04-196746 which discloses a self-running scanner that includes a reading means which read recorded data on a document and a running means which makes the scanner itself run in the running direction that it reads recorded data. Applicant has attached a translation of the specification. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.

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